April 28, 2006

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter serves as the sixty (60) day notice requirement on behalf of the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine's intent to sue McDonald's for violations of Proposition 65, the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act, California Health & Safety Code § 25249.6 (1986). McDonald's has failed to warn consumers that it is exposing them to compound "PhIP," or 2-AMINO-1-METHYL-6-PHENYLIMIDAZO[4,5-b]PYRIDINE.

For the last several months, McDonald's has been exposing its customers to consumer product exposure of PhIP by ingestion. PhIP is listed on the Governor's List of chemicals that are known to the State of California to cause cancer, or birth defects or other reproductive harm, and McDonald's is therefore required to warn customers of a risk of exposure. The following products on your menu have been laboratory tested and proven to contain high levels of PhIP:

Location	Product Sampled	Ng/g
McDonald's Burbank	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.31
1127 North San Fernando Blvd		
Burbank, CA 91504		
McDonald's Los Angeles	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.36
6345 Wilshire Blvd		
Los Angeles, CA 90048		
McDonald's Montebello	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.34
2020 West Beverly Blvd	·	
Montebello, CA 90640		
McDonald's Sacramento	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.32
200 Richards Blvd.		
Sacramento, CA 95814		
McDonald's Vacaville	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.12
541 Davis St		
Vacaville, CA 95688		
McDonald's Encinitas	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	1.23
1064 N. El Camino Real		
Encinitas, CA 92024		
McDonald's Encinitas	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.08
1271 Encinitas Blvd.		
Encinitas, CA 92024		
McDonald's Fremont	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.50
38860 Fremont Blvd.		
Fremont, CA 94536	·	
McDonald's Fremont	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.40
4318 Thornton Ave.		
Fremont, CA 94536		

McDonald's San Jose	Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken	.14
2040 N 1 st St		
San Jose, CA 95131		

In accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 22, section 12903, I am enclosing a Certificate of Merit outlining the basis of our complaint and a Summary of Proposition 65.

Sincerely yours,

Daniel Kinburn, Esq.

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cc: Office of the Attorney General of the State of California

Offices of the District Attorneys of the Counties of the State of California

Office of the District Attorney of the City of San Diego Office of the District Attorney of the City of San Francisco Office of the District Attorney of the City of Los Angeles Office of the District Attorney of the City of San Jose

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d)

I, Daniel Kinburn, hereby declare:

- (1) This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice(s) in which it is alleged the parties identified in the notices have violated Health and Safety Code section 25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- (2) I am the attorney for the noticing party.
- (3) I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies, or other data regarding the alleged exposure to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
- (4) Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on all other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiffs' case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violator will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.

(5) The copy of this Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health and Safety Code section 25249.7(h)(2), i.e., (1) the identity of the persons consulted with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies, or other data reviewed by those persons.

Dated: H//

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